LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

Separated from the Congregation Trinity Sunday (June 7, 2020)



These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I would go with the throng and lead them in procession to the house of God with glad shouts and songs of praise, a multitude keeping festival. (Psalm 42:4)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 146

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

- ³ Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.
- ⁴ When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.
- ⁵ Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God,
- ⁶ who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever;
- who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets the prisoners free;

- the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.
 The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
 the Lord loves the righteous.
- ⁹ The Lord watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.
- ¹⁰ The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord!

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OPENING HYMN

God, Our Father, We Adore Thee!
Text: George W. Frazer, Alfred S. Loizeaux (1870); Tune: BEECHER

- God, our Father, we adore Thee!
 We, Thy children, bless Thy name!
 Chosen in the Christ before Thee,
 we are "holy, without blame."
 We adore Thee! we adore Thee!
 Abba's praises we proclaim!
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 Abba's praises we proclaim!
- 2. Son Eternal, we adore Thee! Lamb upon the throne on high! Lamb of God, we bow before Thee, Thou hast brought Thy people nigh! We adore Thee! we adore Thee! Son of God, who came to die! We adore Thee! we adore Thee! Son of God, who came to die!
- 3. Holy Spirit, we adore Thee!
 Paraclete and heavenly guest!
 Sent from God and from the Savior,
 Thou hast led us into rest.
 We adore Thee! we adore Thee!
 by Thy grace forever blest.
 We adore Thee! we adore Thee!
 by Thy grace forever blest.
- 4. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
 Three in One! we give Thee praise!
 For the riches we inherit,
 heart and voice to Thee we raise!
 We adore Thee! we adore Thee!
 Thee we bless through endless days!
 We adore Thee! we adore Thee!
 Thee we bless through endless days!

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our fellow men, in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry, and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus

Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your name. Amen.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten from the Father, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of the same substance as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he was incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became man. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered, died, and was buried. On the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father [and the Son]. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PASS THE PEACE

SONGS & HYMNS

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus
Text: Helen Howard Hemmel (1922); Tune: LEMMEL

O soul, are you weary and troubled?
 No light in the darkness you see?
 There's light for a look at the Savior,
 And life more abundant and free!

Refrain

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in His wonderful face, And the things of earth will grow strangely dim, In the light of His glory and grace.

Thro' death into life everlasting,
He passed, and we follow Him there;
O'er us sin no more hath dominion –
For more than conqu'rors we are!

Refrain

3. His Word shall not fail you--He promised; Believe Him, and all will be well: Then go to a world that is dying, His perfect salvation to tell!
Refrain

Take My Life and Let It Be Text: Frances Ridley Havergal (1874); Tune: HENDON

- Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.
 Take my moments and my days; let them flow in endless praise, let them flow in endless praise.
- Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love.
 Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee, swift and beautiful for thee.
- Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King.
 Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee, filled with messages from thee.
- 4. Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose, every power as thou shalt choose.
- Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store.

 Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.

OFFERING

"Here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. ¹⁵ Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. ¹⁶ Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God." (Hebrews 13:14-16)

Offerings can be given electronically by sending an e-transfer to admin@westminsterchapel.ca (with a memo, "tithes & offerings" or "benevolence") or through Canada Helps (https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/15609). Cheques can be mailed to Westminster Chapel, 9 Hewitt Ave, Toronto ON M6R 1Y4.

Doxology

Text: Thomas Ken (1674); Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER

Psalm 56

TO THE CHOIRMASTER: ACCORDING TO THE DOVE ON FAR-OFF TEREBINTHS. A MIKTAM OF DAVID, WHEN THE PHILISTINES SEIZED HIM IN GATH.

Be gracious to me, O God, for man tramples on me;

all day long an attacker oppresses me;

- ² my enemies trample on me all day long, for many attack me proudly.
- ³ When I am afraid,

I put my trust in you.

- In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?
- ⁵ All day long they injure my cause; all their thoughts are against me for evil.
- ⁶ They stir up strife, they lurk; they watch my steps, as they have waited for my life.
- ⁷ For their crime will they escape? In wrath cast down the peoples, O God!
- You have kept count of my tossings; put my tears in your bottle. Are they not in your book?

⁹ Then my enemies will turn back in the day when I call. This I know, that God is for me.

¹⁰ In God, whose word I praise, in the Lord, whose word I praise,

- in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can man do to me?
- ¹² I must perform my vows to you, O God; I will render thank offerings to you.
- For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of life.

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SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 4:1-16

Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. ² But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. ³ And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴ In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵ For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶ For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

⁷ But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. ⁸ We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰ always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. ¹¹ For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. ¹² So death is at work in us, but life in you.

¹³ Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴ knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵ For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸ as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

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SERMON

"The Lights Along the Shore"
Russ Hiebert

CLOSING HYMN

And Can It Be

Text: Charles Wesley (1738); Tune: SAGINA

And can it be that I should gain
 An int'rest in the Savior's blood?
 Died He for me, who caused His pain?
 For me, who Him to death pursued?
 Amazing love! how can it be
 That Thou, my God, should die for me?
 Refrain

Amazing love! how can it be That Thou, my God, should die for me!

'Tis mystery all! Th'Immortal dies!
 Who can explore His strange design?
 In vain the firstborn seraph tries
 To sound the depths of love divine!
 'Tis mercy all! let earth adore,
 Let angel minds inquire no more.

Refrain

3. He left His Father's throne above, So free, so infinite His grace; Emptied Himself of all but love, And bled for Adam's helpless race; 'Tis mercy all, immense and free; For, O my God, it found out me.

Refrain

4. Long my imprisoned spirit lay Fast bound in sin and nature's night; Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray, I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth and followed Thee.

Refrain

5. No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him is mine!

Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

BENEDICTION

"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace." (Numbers 6:24-26)

PERSONAL & FAMILY WORSHIP THIS WEEK

- Read Job 1-7; Luke 23-Acts 5
- Sing "And Can It Be"
- o Recite and memorize Question 53-55 of the Heidelberg Catechism:
 - Q53. What do you believe concerning "the Holy Spirit"?

A. First, that the Spirit, with the Father and the Son, is eternal God. Second, that the Spirit is given also to me, so that, through true faith, he makes me share in Christ and all his benefits, comforts me, and will remain with me forever.

Q54. What do you believe concerning "the holy catholic church"?

A. I believe that the Son of God through his Spirit and Word, out of the entire human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself a community chosen for eternal life and united in true faith. And of this community I am and always will be a living member.

Q55. What do you understand by "the communion of saints"?

A. First, that believers one and all, as members of this community, share in Christ and in all his treasures and gifts. Second, that each member should consider it a duty to use these gifts readily and joyfully for the service and enrichment of the other members.

Pray Psalm 56

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bible Studies

Wednesday (TUESDAY) Evening Bible Study: The Wednesday Evening Bible Study will be meeting on Tuesday this week at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. We're studying the prophecy of Isaiah. For more info, contact Pastor David: david.robinson@westminsterchapel.ca.

Ladies Bible Study: The Ladies Bible Study meets at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom. We are studying 1, 2, and 3 John following a study by Jen Wilkin called Abide with Me. There are audio sessions and a workbook of homework. The audio sessions can be found on Podbay: https://podbay.fm/podcast/503752876. If you would like to participate in the Zoom meeting each week, please contact Brittany Reid: dbreid@live.com.

Spanish Bible Study: Estaremos empezando un studio bíblico sobre los fundamentos de la fe Cristiana. Para agregarse a la reunion Zoom los Domingos, por favor contactar a Julian Castaño: julicastano@hotmail.es.

Church Life, Ministry & Special Events

Elders Q&A & Retreat: The Q&A with the elders has been moved to Tuesday, June 16 at 7:30 p.m. Please send your questions or concerns about the current crisis surrounding COVID-19 and the church's response to the church office: office@westeminsterchapel.ca. We will collect questions until June 9 and we'll respond to your questions and concerns via Zoom on Tuesday, June 16 (we'll send a Zoom link). The elders will be away for a retreat on Wednesday and Thursday (June 10-11). Join us in praying for them as they seek the Lord's wisdom and counsel.

Westminster Morning Prayer: Join us morning prayer via Zoom at 8:00 AM (Monday to Saturday). Our morning prayer will be 15 minutes and will be led by one of our elders. You can find the Zoom link in the church e-newsletter or email the church office.

Farewell to the Dotys: You are invited you to a drive-by farewell visit outside of the Doty residence (117 Laurel Avenue, Etobicoke, M9B 4T3) on Saturday, June 20 from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Social distancing will be in effect. We invite you to write a card, letter, or a memory you have of the Doty family, and bring it with you on this day (we will be collecting cards in a basket). You can also mail your card or letter to their home address if you're unable to attend. We would like to bless the Dotys with a financial gift and if you're able and willing to contribute, Stefanie Chiechi will be collecting money via e-transfer until June 19 and we will give it to them on that day. Please send e-transfers to: chiechi.stefanie@gmail.com.

Pregnancy Care Centre Relay Fundraiser: On Saturday, June 20 from 9:00-11:00 a.m, the Pregnancy Care Centre will be hosting a Virtual First Response Relay. The live webcast will kickstart at 9:00 am. If you'd like to join the Westminster relay team or make a donation please visit this link: Westminster team. For more information, please contact Sydney Wellman: wellman.sydney@gmail.com. Join us on Saturday, June 20th as we run or walk 5km anywhere in support of the PCC!

Gathering for Communion: We believe it is vital that we gather for worship and celebrate Communion, even if it's limited to gatherings of five and observes physical distancing guidelines. If you are willing and able to come to the church on Sundays for a Communion Service with an elder and three other people, please email Stefanie in the church office: office@westminsterchapel.ca. She will reply with a time to come (e.g., 2:30 pm).

Counselling Ministry: Pastor Trevor has now transitioned to part time; however, he continues to serve in his counselling ministry. This has been a difficult time for many of us and counselling is available via video conference. To make an appointment contact Trevor: trevor.bertenshaw@westminsterchapel.ca.

Westminster Covid Challenge: It isn't too late to submit your videos or written testimonies to George Simopoulos for a chance to win the coveted Calvin and Luther fridge magnets. We're looking for a video or written testimony of something you have been doing or something God has taught you during self-isolation. For example, if you have started doing scripture memorization, record a video of what you've memorized. If you've been reading more, send a book review. If God has taught you about patience, record or write a testimony. Pastor David will judge whose submission wins on July 1. Email your videos to george.simopoulos@westminsterchapel.ca. Check out the videos on Westminster Chapel's YouTube channel here! The YouTube link can also be found on the website (under "News and Notes" on the COVID-19 page).

Prayer Calendar: We want to encourage the congregation to pray without ceasing (1 Thess 5:17) during these uncertain times. To that end, we've set up a prayer calendar and invite you to sign up to pray at particular times. Our hope is that at any given time, someone from the church is praying. You will be able to view the calendar and see the names of your brothers and sisters who have committed to pray on different days and times. All you need to do is sign for a prayer slot and we will add your name and time to the prayer calendar. The sign-up form and calendar can be found here: (https://www.westminsterchapel.ca/covid-19-prayer). If you have any questions, or need assistance, please email the church office: office@westminsterchapel.ca/covid-19-prayer).

Community Servant Team: I am sure that many of you are doing well, notwithstanding a little cabin fever. As we look forward into the next few weeks and months, however, we know that may change. We want to be wise and proactive with the time and start thinking through ways we can help one another spiritually and practically in the event that things continue as they are. That is why we are encouraging healthy and able of Westminster Chapel to sign up to be part of the community servant team. We are going to need members of the church who will be able to provide help to others in and around their neighborhood. Prayerfully consider being part of the team! Sign up! https://www.westminsterchapel.ca/ministries/community-outreach.

Community Care: There are people all around us who don't have friends or family to help them during this time. This presents all of us with the responsibility and opportunity to offer help and love to those around us. We want to encourage you to interact with neighbours and reach out with help wherever you can. This is also a great opportunity to share the gospel, as this crisis presents us with a way to explain the reason for the hope that is in us (1 Peter 3:15). To that end, we have created two fliers, (one for the Roncesvalles community and one for the non-Roncesvalles community) and we would like you to hand them out to neighbours. The cards can be found here: https://www.westminsterchapel.ca/ministries/community-outreach. If you don't have access to a printer, email the church office and we will mail you a batch of cards.

COVID-19 & Communication: We will be regularly posting news & notes on the website. Please click the red COVID-19 button of the homepage. You'll also find updates on prayer and community outreach there, along with the order of service for Sundays and the Sunday School resources. A reminder to check your junk mail folder if you are not receiving the weekly e-newsletter to your email inbox.